Alternative D

EXISTING CORRIDOR







In this alternative the double-decker bridge is removed and replaced with a new four-lane arterial road constructed at-grade (elevated as necessary for compliance with floodplain and stormwater requirements) in generally the same location as the existing double-decker bridge between the railroad tracks and the Missouri River. This alternative would require de-designation of I-229 as interstate.

PROS

- Additional access at St. Joseph Avenue.
- Provides better connectivity to the port and 4th Street at the south end of the project.
- Good travel times.
- Low impact to private property.
- Provides additional space downtown for development.
- No direct impacts to high-risk hazmat sites.

CONS

- No direct access into downtown.
- Impedes potential riverfront development in the downtown.
- Additional traffic through 4th Street at-grade railroad crossing.
- Mostly built in the floodplain.
- North-end bridge impedes the view of the river along the riverfront.

Recommendation: *This alternative is being recommended in its entirety.*